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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 8, 2004, Applicants elect to prosecute the species of the invention of the valve of Figs. 7-9. This election is made without traverse. As required, Applicants indicates that claims 8-13 and 16-26 read on the elected species.

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